

April 7, 1976

24 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. Read the next motion, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 24, 24, 1, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Alright, motion still fails. What's the next one, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, the next one is LB 1007. I move that LB 1007 become law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor. Signed, Senator Goodrich.

PRESIDENT: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, members of the body. You all recall this is the health, physical education and recreation building for UNO. We commonly refer to it as HPER Building. The purpose of the building is to furnish facilities so that the womens physical education instruction can get out of that World War II quansat hut and into a decent facility. You'll recall that in the Governor's veto message on LB 690 that he said he wanted to give the University flexibility, the Board of Regents. The Board of Regents, in their priority list for construction projects, has the HPER Building as number one building on their priority list. Last year you'll recall that the Governor put the HPER Building in his capital construction bill, recommending that it be delayed one year. After this delay of one year he again says no. Now I have passed out today some letters that I have obtained copies of. I wanted you all to have them. The first item is a copy of a wire that was sent to us from a Mary Williams relative to the building. Attached to that wire is a letter from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare dated April 1, 1976. This letter in essence says "thus the University" ... I'm reading about the middle of the third paragraph. It says "Thus the University is not in compliance with executive order 11246, as amended, and is not qualified for award of additional government contracts at this time based upon the eligibility standards of the regulations pursuant". What this letter says in essence, and notice it's dated April 1, less then a week away, is that on the practices of the University relative to hiring procedures, they do not have an affirmative action plan that is in compliance with the HEW regulations, consequently, they have 30 days to get that plan in order and get it in. I also passed out another letter dated January 17, 1975 from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Down in the third ... fourth paragraph of that letter it says "findings set forth below indicate some inequities relative to the administration of male and female athletic programs". It gives the points a, b, c and d. Point B. Funding for the female athletic program was approximately \$7500. Point A is reflecting the funding of about \$200,000 for men. Point C. Females participating in the athletic program did not have equal access to common facilities. Although more adequate ... more athletic facilities are needed in general, the female problem is more severe then the male problem". Then attached to that, on the back of that, ... that's a three page letter, there's another letter dated